Department of Employee Trust Funds WRS EXTRANET USER MANUAL

CHAPTER 9 – WRS CONTRIBUTION REMITTANCE

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900 Introduction

<u>Note</u>: This application is <u>NOT</u> available to State agencies that make payments via WiSMART.

The WRS Contribution Remittance application will give employers the ability to securely transmit *WRS Monthly Remittance Reports*, ET-1515, to ETF via the Extranet. In addition, this application will allow employers to:

- Select a payment date or default to the statutory due date.
- Make the contribution payment to ETF via an Automated Clearing House (ACH) Direct Withdrawal.
- Print confirmation reports of the on-line Monthly Remittance Report.
- Reduce or eliminate reporting and/or calculation errors.
- Increase efficiency through more accurate data transmission and faster processing time.
- Eliminate late payment charges due to mailing delays.
- Allows employers to make payment at the end of last monthly pay period with money transfer at the end of the month.

901 Automated Clearing House Direct Withdrawal

Employers must submit an *Automated Clearing House Direct Withdrawal Authorization* (ACH), ET-1734, with the *Employer Extranet Application Security Agreement* to use the WRS Contribution Remittance application. The ACH form can be downloaded from the Employer Section of ETF's web site at http://etf.wi.gov. Please attach your ACH authorization directly to the Security Agreement when submitting to ETF for authorization.

902 Log On Instructions

Once you have accessed the Extranet site as instructed in Chapter 2,

- 1. Select the WRS Contribution Remittance Application.
- 2. Key Logon ID, tab to Password field, key your Password
- 3. Select OK
- 4. Enter your 7 digit Employer Identification Number (e.g. 1234000)

5. Select Submit.

803 Submit the WRS Contribution Remittance

- 1. Review employer detail section at the top of the screen for accuracy of WRS agent data.
- 2. Select either Regular or Supplemental.
- 3. Verify Reporting Month.
- 4. Request <u>Transfer Date</u> or <u>Default Date</u> (Supplemental Remittance requires Transfer Date).
- 5. Key in Earnings amounts by Employment Category.

Negative amounts must be preceded by a minus sign.

Decimal points required.

Do not use commas.

6. Key in Contribution amounts by Employment Category.

Negative amounts must be preceded by a minus sign.

Decimal points required.

Do not use commas.

- 7. <u>Invoice payments</u> require Invoice number only. (You must pay or take credit for the complete invoice)
- 8. Select <u>Submit</u> when input data keying is completed.
- 9. Review Information and check Transfer Date.
- 10. Select Confirm after reviewing your information.
- 11. Print screen for your records.
- 12. Select Logout.

904 Message Codes

The following table describes error messages you may encounter when accessing and completing the WRS Contribution Remittance application and the condition that produced the error message.

If you feel you have received this message in error, please call the Department of Employee Trust Funds	User ID is incorrect or has not been authorized.
The Number you entered is not a valid Employer Number. Please enter all seven digits.	The Employer Identification Number (EIN) you entered is not complete. The field requires all seven digits of your EIN.
The Number you entered is not a valid Employer Number.	The EIN entered does not exist on ETF's tables; please recheck your EIN.
We have not yet received your routing number. Please call ETF for assistance during normal business hours.	
The Department of Employee Trust Funds has not set up contribution rates.	Current year contribution rates have not been set up yet. Contact ETF during normal business hours.
A report has already been submitted today for this employer. To submit a supplemental report, please wait until tomorrow.	Only one report can be submitted per day. A report associated with your EIN has already been submitted.

Requested transfer date is not a valid date.	Please follow the proper transfer date format.
Leave blank for default date, or enter as	Leaving the field blank will result in use of the
MMDDCCYY.	default date.
Requested transfer date is not a banking date.	The transfer date entered must be a banking
Leave blank to use the default date, or enter	date. Please reenter or leave blank to use the
as MMDDCCYY.	default date.
Requested transfer date must be at least 4	Transfer date entered is in the past or leaves
banking days into the future. Leave blank to	insufficient transfer time. Please reenter or
use the default date, or enter as MMDDCCYY.	leave blank to use default date.
Requested transfer entered is more than one	Transfers can not be dated over one month
month into the future. Leave blank to use the	into the future. Rekey your transfer date or
default date, or enter as MMDDCCYY.	leave blank to use the default date.
Reporting month is not valid (01 to 12). You	Check the Reporting Month and Year field for
must enter a month for which you have	proper date and reenter.
reported earnings or contributions for the	
current year.	
A supplemental report cannot be entered for	A supplemental report can only be submitted
the reporting month indicated. You must enter	for a month in which a report was previously
a month for which you have reported earnings	submitted. Please verify the reporting month
or contributions for the current year.	you are attempting to adjust and reenter.
The General, Educ. Support Pers. Category	The amount entered must be numeric, less
Earnings Amount is Invalid.	than \$999,999,999.99 (and greater than -
	\$999,999,999.99). You must enter the decimal
	point and following cents.
General Earnings Amount times the	Contributions do not equal the earnings
contribution rate [amount calculated] does not	entered times the contribution rate. Override
equal the contributions you have reported. To	box not checked.
accept earnings and contributions as keyed,	
check OK in override box and resubmit.	
An over/under payment notice (ET-1517) will	You have overridden a calculated contribution
be sent out after the 8 th day of next month.	amount, which will result in an over or under
	payment.
The Over or Underpayment and/or Interest	The amount must be numeric and less than
Due for Late Reported Amount is Invalid	\$9,999,999.99 (or greater than -
	\$9,999,999.99)
Additional Contributions Amount is Invalid.	The amount must be numeric and less than
	\$9,999,999.99 (or greater than -
	\$9,999,999.99)
Other Payments Amount is Invalid.	The amount must be numeric and less than
	\$9,999,999.99 (or greater than -
	\$9,999,999.99)
The Total Earnings Amount exceeds	Report a reduced amount and submit a
\$999,999,999.99.	Supplemental Report for the remainder.
The Grand Total Contributions Amount	Report a reduced amount and submit a
exceeds \$999,999,999.99.	
The new set total see west be less they were	Supplemental Report for the remainder.
The report total can not be less than zero. The invoice number you entered is incorrect.	Supplemental Report for the remainder. Verify and Correct entries.